

Iowa Department of Human Services

Medical Assistance Advisory Council MAAC

Mikki Stier, lowa Medicaid Director

Executive Committee Summary of Meeting Minutes May 18, 2017

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBERS	DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES
Gerd Clabaugh – present	Chuck Palmer –
David Hudson – present	Mikki Stier – present
Dennis Tibben – present	Deb Johnson -
Natalie Ginty – present	Liz Matney –
Shelly Chandler – present	Matt Highland – present
Cindy Baddeloo – present	Lindsay Paulson – present
Kate Gainer –	Sean Bagniewski – present
Lori Allen – present	Amy McCoy –
Richard Crouch – present	Luisito Cabrera – present
Julie Fugenschuh – present	Alisha Timmerman – present
Jodi Tomlonovic – present	

Introduction

Gerd called the meeting to order and performed the roll call. Executive Committee attendance is as reflected above and quorum met.

Approval of the Executive Committee Meeting Minutes of April 11, 2017

Minutes of the Executive Committee meeting on April 11, 2017 was approved.

Director Palmer on Recommendations

Recommendations were postponed.

hawk-i Clinical Advisory Committee

Eric Kohlsdorf, Chair of the *hawk-i* Clinical Advisory Board, stated that the *hawk-i* program currently served over 40,000 recipients and explained program eligibility requirements. Current topics of discussion within the *hawk-i* Clinical Advisory Board were prior authorizations for prescriptions, access to care, provider networks, the credentialing process, and the renewal of the Delta Dental contract. He stated that *hawk-i* was working with Matt Highland for communication standardization and that information regarding the program could be found on their website and within their newsletter.

Medicaid Director's Update

Effective July 1, 2017, the Dental Wellness Plan DWP would be restructured to provide dental coverage for all adult lowa Medicaid members, age 19 and older, in both the lowa Health and Wellness Plan (IHAWP) and Fee-for-Service (FFS) programs. The new DWP would no longer be a tiered benefits model and all members would receive full dental coverage in their first year of service.

DWP members must complete 'Healthy Behaviors' during the first year of the new Dental Wellness Plan to keep their full benefits the next year and avoid a monthly premium. Jodi stated there had been concern regarding the timely release of new DWP fee schedule information given the July 1, 2017, start of the new program.

Mikki provided an update on the cost containment initiatives that were passed by legislators this year. There are Informational Letters (ILs) related to recent cost containment measures. Measures were to be implemented by July 1, 2017, although some required CMS approval so once approved would be retroactively effective. New ILs to be released regarding cost containment discussed:

- 1. Crossover Claims
- 2. Time of Service
- 3. The elimination of the primary enhanced payments
- 4. Changes to anesthesiology
- 5. Consultation codes
- 6. Inpatient changes
- 7. Retroactive eligibility

An IL would soon be released explaining the new family planning program. The state had been working with CMS concerning retroactive eligibility with changes to begin pending CMS approval. IME Policy staff was in the process of reviewing all ILs to update ICD 9 information to ICD 10. Information regarding changes will be communicated through e-newsletters, ILs, and the DHS website.

Public Comment Listening Sessions Summary

Lindsay stated that comments made at the Mason City meeting held on April 12, 2017, were in regards to provider access, reimbursement rates for providers, requests for universal prior authorization forms, and timeliness of prior authorization processing. The next meeting was to take place on June 13, 2017 in Sioux City, and August meeting would be August 29, 2017, in Bettendorf.

Open Discussion

Gerd reminded public Executive Committee members that they may reapply for their positions through the governor's website. He reviewed the future Executive Committee and Full Council meeting potential agenda items.

Gerd suggested that MAAC members review quarterly reports to determine what recommendations and public comments may have been addressed, and what data could be tracked and discussed for future potential recommendations.

Richard Crouch stated that the Committee had compiled a broad range of topics for future discussion that will assist with more conducive conversations in meetings going forward.

Adjourn 4:26 P.M.